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I.C.P.O. Bulletin (March 20 - 28, 2008)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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13/03/2008: A large Russian Antarctic Expedition began March 13th, at 0800 UTC leaving from Cape Town, South Africa, on board the 'Academician Fedorov' on route to Antarctica. Planned goals and dates are the following: Progress Station from March 23-30th (AN-016, AA U-03, WAP RUS-11); Mirny Station from April 4-6th (AN-016, AA U-07, WAP RUS-07); Molodezhnaya Station from May 14-16th (AN-016, AA U-06, WAP RUS-08); and Novolazarevskaya Station from April 20-24th (AN-016, AA U-08, WAP RUS-09). There are plans for visiting 2 more Antarctic bases including possibly Maitri Station (AN-016, AA VU-02, WAP IND-03). Leader of the expedition is Valey Sushkov, RW3GW who did replace Yuri Zaruba, UA9OBA who is very busy. The Team includes the head of film-radioexpedition Michael Botchkarev (ex: UA0XB). Call sign used will be R1ANT, while from on board of 'Academician Fedorov' they will use R1ANT/MM. Special QSL via RW3GW (Val Sushkov, Box 2007, Lipetsk 398005, Russia) the general producer and the author of the project "Antarctica". Dates and more details at the News & Information page, hosted at WAP (www.waponline.it/). Changes in the program can be possible on the way, depending on logistic and weather conditions. Stay Tuned! [I1HYW]

17/03/2008: Carlos, N4THW is going to return to Al-Falluja, Iraq, and should be active again as YI9HW on 160-10m soon. Length of stay is unknown at this time. QSLs via his home call N4THW (QRZ.com). [DX Newsletter]

20/03/2008: Jack, F6BUM (www.f6bum.net) will be active again as 3W3M from Vietnam between March 20th and April 2nd. He plans to operate SSB and CW with 100 watts into a vertical antenna from the following three islands: March 20 (1000 UTC) - March 23 (0600 UTC) from Con C? (AS-185, new one); March 25 (0800 UTC) - March 28 (0600 UTC) from Phu Quoc (AS-128); March 29 (1000 UTC) - April 2 (0600 UTC) from Dao Con (AS-130). Expect activity on 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meters. QSL via F6BUM, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

20/03/2008: Operators Fabio/I4UFH, Massimo/IZ4DPV and Santos/CT1DVV will be active March 20th to April 2th from the D4C Monteverde Contest Station, Mindelo, Ilha do S?o Vicente (AF-086, WLOTA LH-1976), including a M/? entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th). QSL via IZ4DPV (Mr. Massimo Cortesi, P.O. Box 24, 47100 Forli'-Centro, Italy). [NG3K]

20/03/2008: Joan/EA3GHZ, Enrique/EA5EOR and Dina/EC5BME will operate SSB and CW as EA6/homecall from Isla de Ibiza (DIE E-023, LH-0958), Balearic Islands (EU-004), from March 20-24th. They will have two complete stations, and will concentrate on 160, 80, 40 and 30 meters from 1800 UTC until the early morning hours. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

20/03/2008: Look for Augusto, I2JJR/HB9TZA to be active as IC8/I2JJR/P, from the island of Ischia (EU-031, IIA NA-001, MIA MI-042, WLOTA

LH-0689) from March 20-24th. Weather permitting he will try to activate some castles counting for the DCI award, such as Castello Aragonese di Ischia (DCI reference NA-019), which is located close to his hotel. Activity will be on 80-6m, using IC7000, AH4, and 9m vertical. QSL via I2JJR, direct or bureau. [I2JJR/HB9TZA]

20/03/2008: Three operators from the Aegean DX Group, namely Alexandros/SV8CYR, Vassilis/SV8CYV and Vagelis/SV5CJQ will be active as SX5AI from Agathonisi Island (EU-001), March 21-26th. This island also counts for GIOTA DKS-063. They plan to operate SSB and digital modes on 20, 40 and 80 meters, plus 10 and 6 metres SSB if the bands are open. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct requests should be sent to SV8CYV. [425 DX News]

20/03/2008: Operators Sarla/VU2SWS, Nandu/VU2NKS (ARLHS member #1548), Milind/VU2IZO and Basappa/VU2NXM plan to activate the Chaul/Korlai Fort lighthouse (ARLHS IND-081, Admiralty F0568, NGA 27928) Activity will be from March 20-23rd, starting 1130 UTC on 14.260, 21.260, 7.040, and 28.500 MHz. The lighthouse is located in the Northern Maharashtra region and Mumbai (Bombay) Area (WW Loc. MK68KM). QSL via operators instructions. [K2JXW]

22/03/2008: Ed, N1UR and his xyl Christine, KB1PQN will be active from Layang-Layang Island, Spratly Islands (AS-051) between 0800 UTC March 22 and 0000 UTC March 30. Navy permission to operate from Layang-Layang has been granted. They will be using the call sign 9M6/N1UR for both stations. QRV 160-10m, using CW and SSB. QSL via K2RET (Bob Tomkovich, Jr., 405 Hemlock Dr., Lanoka Harbor, NJ 08734 USA). Further information can be found at: www.n1urspratly.com/ [NG3K]

22/03/2008: Dieter, DK2AT will spend his holidays near the capital Dublin, Ireland (EU-115, also count for WLOTA LH-2484), from March 22-30th. He will be active as EI/DK2AT using CW and SSB with a FT-897 with 100 watts to a 10m vertical. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [DX Newsletter]

22/03/2008: Satrting around 0700 UTC, on April 22nd, look for Fran?ois/F5JNE along with Claude/F5MCC, to be active as homecall/p, from the Castle of Montchevreuil (DFCF 10026), in the City Les Loges Margueron (CP 10210) and Canton of Chaource (DDCF 1O-07). Department Aube/1 and Province Champagne-Ardennes (DPF 08). As usually, CW/SSB, 80m then 40m. QSL via bureau preferred, SWL cards welcome. [F5NQL]

22/03/2008: Ben, DO1BEN will be active March 22-28th as OZ/DO1BEN from Lolland Island (EU-029, DIA SJ-015 for the Danish Islands Award, WW Loc. JO54QV). QRV on all HF bands. QSL via home call, direct (QRZ.com) or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

23/03/2008: Michael, DG3NDN will be active March 23-28th from Liechtenstein as HB0/homecall. Look for activity on 80m/20m, SSB only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [DX Newsletter]

23/03/2008: Willy/ON5AX and xyl Magda/ON3AX will be QRV from: Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK9ALH from March 23-30th; and Australia (OC-001) as VK4/ON5AX between April 2-7th. Equipment: Alinco DX70 transceiver 100W, groundplane antenna designed and made by Tony ON4CEQ. QRV on CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via ON5AX or ON3AX. [UBA HF News]

23/03/2008: Operators Leigh/WA5ZNU (ZF2NU), Yuki/K6YUU (ZF2UU), Hunter/KI6IMM (ZF2IM) and Becky/K6BEC (ZF2BE) will be active March 23-31st from Seven-Mile Beach on Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, also count for WLOTA LH-1042, WW Loc. EK99HI). Modes will be CW, SSB, PSK, RTTY. Equipment consists of Elecraft K3/100, Cushcraft R6 multi band vertical (20 to 6 meters), 106 foot +/- long wire antenna. The 6m frequency will be 50.110 MHz USB. QSL via the operators home call. Further information, along with updates and frequencies can be found at: wa5znu.org/2008/03/zf2nu/ [N8OFS]

24/03/2008: Jan HH4/K4QD and Don HH4/AF4Z will be at the Northwest Haiti Christian Mission (www.nwhcm.org/), Haiti (NA-096, WLOTA LH-0343), from March 24th to April 4th. They will operate 80-10m on CW, SSB and RTTY as time permits. The will also participate in the CQWW WPX SSB contest. QSL to home calls (K4QD & AF4Z). Operators prefer direct or LoTW, but the bureau is OK. [K4QD]

24/03/2008: Harry, W6DXO will be active holiday style from St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands (NA-106) as KP2/W6DXO between March 24-28th. Focus will be on 20-10 meter SSB, with some CW. There is also the possibility of operation on 40 meters. QSL via KF6JOQ. [NG3K]

24/03/2008: Ela/DL1TM and Tor/DJ4MG will be active as OZ/homecalls from Ingstrup (JO47UH), Community of Lokken, Nordjylland Island (EU-171, NJ-001 for the Danish Islands Award), Denmark, March 24-April 10th. They will work with two stations using SSB on 160/80/40/20/15m and using PSK31 on 40m/20m. Antennas they will use will be a spiderbeam, a 160m loop and a DK9SQ loop. They will also be active on 2m SSB with 100W and 11 element yagi at 16m above ground level. They will also participate in the Nordic Activity Contest. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at http://dj4mg.dyndns.org/ [MMMonVHF]

24/03/2008: Operators Bill/KX4WW, Vic/W4VIC, Noll/W9RN and Bruce/W4OV will be active March 24th to April 1st as VP5/homecall from Seaview Villa, Providenciales Island (NA-002), Turks & Caicos Islands. QRV 160-10m, all modes, including an entry in the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) using the special contest call sign VQ59W. QSL VQ59W via KX4WW direct only with SASE or $1 (Bill Walker, 1024 Vanderploeg Drive, Chesapeake, VA 23320 USA) - NO eQSL. QSL VP5/KX4WW via LOTW or direct only with $1 or SASE - NO eQSL. QSL VP5/W4VIC via LOTW or home call, direct - NO eQSL. QSL VP5/W9RN via home call, direct. QSL VP5/W4OV via home call, direct. Further information can be found at: vadxcg.com/VQ59W.htm [NG3K]

25/03/2008: Mike, WA2VQW reports that the W2RZS amateur radio club will be active as TO5RZ from Villa Natanya, Colombier, Saint Barthelemy Island (NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA LH-0377, WW Loc. FK87NW) from March 25th to April 1st. QRV on 160-10m using CW, SSB and RTTY (including WARC bands), plus an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th). QSL via W2RZS, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

25/03/2008: Geoff, W0CG will be QRV as PJ2DX from Signal Point, island of Curacao (SA-006, also count for WLOTA LH-0942) between March 25th and April 1st. Look for activity on all bands and modes. QSL via home call. [CCC]

26/03/2008: Stig, LA7JO plans to be back in Nepal as 9N7JO, on and off between March 26th to June 30th. He will leave Nepal at the end of June, with his assignment there ending. Since January, 2005 he has made 77,000

QSOs as 9N7JO, on SSB, CW, PSK31 and RTTY, from 160-6m. QSL direct, info at: www.qsl.net/la7jo/9n7jo.html [MMMonVHF]

26/03/2008: Csaba (DH7KU, HA7XQ), will be active holiday style from Luxembourg during the Easter holiday as LX/DH7KU, March 26-28th. He will be using a QRP-99 IV TRX from KNE (about 10W) and dipole antennas for 40m and 20m. QSL via DK0UN. [NG3K]

26/03/2008: John, W5JON will be active again as V31FB from San Pedro, Ambergris Caye (NA-073, WW Loc. EK67AW), Belize, from March 26-31st. QRV on 6-160 meter SSB, including a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th). Equipment will be ICOM IC-7000, RM Italy KL-400 amplifier (400 Watts), Alpha Delta 10-160 meter dipoles and 3 element yagi on 6 meters. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

26/03/2008: The VK6 DX Chasers Club, a sub-group of the Northern Corridor Radio Group, is pleased to announce its next island expedition to Faure Island (OC-206), in Shark Bay, Western Australia. The group will be active from the island between March 26th and April 1st, using the call sign VK6FAU. Activity will be SSB, CW and the Digital modes on 80-6 meters. They will also try 160m. QSL via VK6NE, direct or bureau. Full details can be found at: vk6fau.wordpress.com/ [OPDX Bulletin]

26/03/2008: John, VK6HZ will once again be operating holiday style as VK6ARI from Rottnest Island (OC-164, WLOTA LH-2197) between March 26th and April 4th, including an entry in the 2008 CQ WPX Contest. Equipment will be IC-7000 and Buddiepole. Online log may be available during the trip (he will confirm closer to the time). QSL via home call, direct (John Ferrington, 54 View St., North Perth, WA 6006, Australia) or by the bureau. Further details at: www.vk6hz.com/ [OPDX Bulletin]

26/03/2008: Franz/DL9GFB as VP2EFB and Jan/DJ8NK as VP2ENK will be active from the island of Anguilla (NA-022) during the period of March 26th to April 6th, including an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th). QRV 160-10m using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. The final decision about equipment is yet to be made, but for sure we will have a quarter wave for 75/80m and an inverted L for 160m, 2 stations with linears. The QTH is in the north of the island at "Island Harbour", overlooking the sea. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [DJ8NK]

26/03/2008: Look for Art, N3DXX to be active March 26-31st from the island of Montserrat (NA-103) using the call sign VP2MAH, including a Single-Op entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th). QRV 160-10 meters. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

27/03/2008: Filip/ON4AEO and Kath/ON7BK together with radioclub Secunda members Gert/ZS6GC, Sid/ZS5AYC, Lucas/ZS6ACT, Tom/ZS6TMO, Adele/ZR6APT, Edwin/ZS5BBO, Janet/ZS5JAN, Steffi and Elna will be QRV from the Katse Dam in the Kingdom of Lesotho as 7P8FC between March 27 and April 1, 2008. Expected frequencies are: SSB - 1.845, 3.780, 7.063, 14.185, 18.136, 21.290, 24.930 and 28.490 MHz; RTTY - 3.590, 7.040, 14.084, 18.104, 21.084, 24.924 and 28.084 MHz; and PSK - 7.038, 14.072, 18.102, 21.072, 24.922 and 28.122 MHz. The QSL route is via ON4CJK, direct or bureau. Further information and updates available at: www.7p8fc.be/index.htm [NG3K]

27/03/2008: Svein, LA9JKA (JX9JKA) will be "very active" from Jan Mayen (EU-022, Grid IQ60) from March 27th through October 8th. He plans to operate SSB and digital modes on 160m-70cm, plus 2m EME. QSL via home

call. [F5NQL]

27/03/2008: Operators Kuny/W1FPU (7L1FPU), Satoshi/N2QP and Masashi/KH0TL will be active as homecall/p from Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086) from March 27th-31st. They will also participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) as AH0BT, a Multi-Single or Multi-Two entry. QSL KH0/N2QP direct, with SAE and 1 IRC or 1USD (Satoshi Kouya, 2-7-5 Iwamoto-cho, Chiyoda, Tokyo 101-0032 Japan). QSL KH0/W1FPU and AH0BT via 7L1FPU, direct or bureau. QSL KH0TL via 7L1FFH, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

27/03/2008: Dave, W5CW will be active March 27th to April 9th as VP5/W5CW from the VP5JM 'Hamlet' on Providenciales (NA-002), Turks & Caicos Islands, including a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) using the special call VQ58V. Outside the contest Dave will be QRV 160-6m (including WARC bands), using CW and SSB. On 6m he will use a M2 7 element yagi at 30 feet (Grid FL31VS). All QSLs via W5CW. [NG3K]

28/03/2008: Operators BV8BC, BV8BQ, BV8SE and BX8AD will be active March 28-31st as BV9O from Orchid Island [Lan Yu] (AS-155, also count for WLOTA LH-0626). QSL via BV8BC. [425 DX News]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

29/03/2008: Gia, 4L4WW will be active from Obcha, Georgia, as 4L0A during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. No bands were mentioned. QSL via EA7FTR. [NG3K]

29/03/2008: Members of the Radio Club "Varazdin" (9A1HDE/9A7A) will be active as 9A60A from March 29th to December 31st to celebrate the 60th anniversary of their Radio Club. First activity is scheduled to take place during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th). QSL via 9A7A. [OPDX Bulletin]

29/03/2008: Look for Philippe, LX2A to be active from Luxembourg as LX7I during the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LX2A. [NG3K]

29/03/2008: Gordon, N5AU will be QRV as VP2E from the island of Anguilla (NA-022) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) as a Muti-Single entry. He will be testing some new antennas. QSL via N5AU, direct only. [NG3K]

05/04/2008: Starting April 5th for six days, look for Chris to be active as M0DOL/p and GX4KPT from Holy [aka Lindisfarne] Island (EU-120) and the Lindisfarne Castle. CASHOTA reference for Lindisfarne Castle will be given on-air. QSL both calls via M0DOL. [F5NQL]

18/04/2008: Yoshi, JE2EHP will be active from Guam Island (OC-026, USi GU-003S, also count for WLOTA LH-0064) as K1HP/KH2 between April 18th and 21st, using SSB and CW on all HF bands plus 6m. QSL via JE2EHP, bureau preferred. [JE2EHP]

09/05/2008: Gian Paolo, IW0EFA with several other Military Hams will be activate from the Military Airport of Viterbo using the call sign II0ALE (Italy Italy Zero Aviation Light Army) on May 9th and 10th. Look for them to be active on all HF bands 80-10m, propagation permitting. QSL

via the bureau. Direct requests can be sent to IW0EFA (QRZ.com). [IW1DQS]

24/05/2008: Operators OH0/PA2A (Steve), OH0/PA2AM (Wim), OH0/PA0VHA (Hans), OH0/PA3BAG (Jack), OH0/PA3ALK (Wil) and OH0/PB5A (Teun) will be active May 24th to June 6th from Aland Island (EU-002, also count for LH-1373). Activity will be on 160-2m, with three stations running at the same time, using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31, including an entry in the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 24-25th). They will also be on 6m and 2m during aurora, tropo or ES. QSL via home calls, or direct only, with SAE, to PA0VHA (H. Vernhout, Ph. de Goedestraat 54, 3132 XR Vlaardingen, The Netherlands). Further info can be found at: www.pa2am.nl/aland/index.htm [PA2AM]

21/07/2008: The KL7DX IOTA DXpedition to Chuginadak Island (NA-234 New One!, Grid AO52) is planned to take place from July 21-27th. At the moment, team members include Yuri/N3QQ, John/KE7V and Yuri/UA9OBA. The team will try to make as many as possible 2-way radio contacts with IOTA Island Chasers on all HF bands including 6 meters. As of right now, they are in the final planning stages for Chuginadak Island (Islands of Four Mountains group) NA-234 Amateur Radio DX-pedition. Estimated Dates: Landing on or around July 21st, 2008, Departure on or around July 27th, 2008. QSL via AC7DX (QRZ.com). Further information can be found at na-234.com/index.html [na-234.com]

04/09/2008: Satoshi, N2QP will be active as KH0/N2QP from Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086), September 4-8th, including an entry in the All Asian DX Phone Contest (September 6-7th). QSL KH0/N2QP direct, with SAE and 1 IRC or 1USD (Satoshi Kouya, 2-7-5 Iwamoto-cho, Chiyoda, Tokyo 101-0032 Japan). [N2QP]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

22/03/2008: Special stations II0IGU (QSL via IK0JFS), II0IDP (via IS0SDX), II1ICS (via I1SAF), II1IGG (via I2AZ), II7ICT (via IZ7EDQ), II8ICN (via IZ8FAV) and II9ICF (via IT9MRM) - all representing former coast radio stations of the Italian Navy - will be active March 22-30th for the Italian Navy Coastal Radio Stations Award (digilander.libero.it/assoradiomarinai/coastal08/home.htm). [425 DX News]

26/03/2008: This year is the 70th birthday of RAFARS. GB70RAF will be on air between March 26th and April 6th from a location to be arranged in Dorset. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

28/03/2008: The past fifteen years have witnessed the emergence of new challenges in the security environment. As a result, the frequency of NATO summit meetings has increased. From the founding of NATO until 1990 - over forty years - there were ten summit meetings. The following sixteen years saw eleven more. In total, twenty-one summit meetings have taken place. Between April 2-4th, the next summit meeting will in Bucharest, Romania. To mark this event, look for special event station YO22NATO to be on the air between March 28th and April 9th. Activity will be on all bands and different modes. QSL via YO3KAA, direct (QRZ.com) or bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

28/03/2008: Special event stations G0RFC from Cornwall and G3RAF from Devon will be aired between March 28th and April 6th as part of the

RAFARS celebrations. QSL via the RSGB bureau. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

U.S.A. Special event station information can be found at:
www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html
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SIX METERS & UP -

G3USF's Worldwide List Of 50MHz Beacons - Updated 18 March 2008
http://www.keele.ac.uk/depts/por/50.htm

24/03-10/06 OZ/DJ4MG: Vendsyssel-Thy EU-171 Grid:JO47UH 2m SSB 100W
11el yagi @ 16m QSL DJ4MG

24/03-10/06 OZ/DL1TM: Vendsyssel-Thy EU-171 Grid:JO47UH 2m SSB 100W
11el yagi @ 16m QSL DL1TM

26/03-31/03 V31FB: Ambergris Caye, Belize Grid:EK67AW 6m IC-7000 400W
3el yagi @ 65' QSL W5JON

16/04-24/04 P40ZB: Aruba 6m 24/7 50.125MHz USB 100W vertical/dipole QSL
K9WZB

02/06/2008: Bouke/PA0ZH and Rene/PE1L will be active from the JW5E
station located at Longyarbyen, Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA
LH-0125, WW Loc. JQ78TF) from June 2-15th. (EME activity on June 5-9th).
Equipment will be TS2000, 2xGI7B, MGF1302 and 2 x XP20. They will also
be active on 6 meters with 100 watt and a 4 element yagi, fixed to
Europe. [MMMonVHF]
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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

20/03-02/04 D4C: Ilha de Sao Vicente LH-1976 QSL IZ4DPV (d/b)
20/03-24/03 EA6/EA3GHZ: Isla de Ibiza WLOTA:0958 QSL H/C (d/b)
20/03-24/03 EA6/EA5EOR: Isla de Ibiza WLOTA:0958 QSL H/C (d/b)
20/03-24/03 EA6/EC5BME: Isla de Ibiza WLOTA:0958 QSL H/C (d/b)
20/03-24/03 IC8/I2JJR/P: Isola d'Ischia WLOTA:0689 QSL H/C (d/b)
20/03-23/03 VU2IZO/P:Chaul/Korlai Fort ARLHS:IND-081 QSL Op's Info
20/03-23/03 VU2NKS/P:Chaul/Korlai Fort ARLHS:IND-081 QSL Op's Info
20/03-23/03 VU2NXM/P:Chaul/Korlai Fort ARLHS:IND-081 QSL Op's Info
20/03-23/03 VU2SWS/P:Chaul/Korlai Fort ARLHS:IND-081 QSL Op's Info
22/03-30/03 EI/DK2AT: Ireland (Eire) WLOTA:LH-2484 QSL H/C (d/b)
22/03-27/03 MJ/K3PLV: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL H/C (d/b)
22/03-27/03 MJ/K8PT: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL H/C (d/b)
23/03-31/03 ZF2BE: Grand Cayman Island WLOTA:1042 QSL K6BEC (d/b)
23/03-31/03 ZF2IM: Grand Cayman Island WLOTA:1042 QSL KI6IMM (d/b)
23/03-31/03 ZF2NU: Grand Cayman Island WLOTA:1042 QSL WA5ZNU (d/b)
23/03-31/03 ZF2UU: Grand Cayman Island WLOTA:1042 QSL K6YUU (d/b)
24/03-04/04 HH4/AF4Z: Haiti Island WLOTA:0343 QSL H/C (d/b/LoTW)
24/03-04/04 HH4/K4QD: Haiti Island WLOTA:0343 QSL H/C (d/b/LoTW)
25/03-01/04 TO5RZ: St Barthelemy WLOTA:0377 QSL W2RZS (d/b)
25/03-01/04 PJ2DX: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL W0CG (d/b)
26/03-04/04 VK6HZ/P: Rottnest Island WLOTA:2197 QSL H/C (d/b)
28/03-31/03 BV9O: Lan Yu (Orchid Isl.) WLOTA:0626 QSL BV8BC (QRZ.com)
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TURKEY, QSL Service Information:
From: "Nilay Mine AYDOGMUS, TA3YJ" <ta3yj@aydogmus.gen.tr>
Dear Friends,
New home page address of TA3YJ QSL Service:
http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3yj/qslservice.htm

New e-mail address of TA3YJ: ta3yj@aydogmus.gen.tr
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Postal Address: P.O.Box 876 Pasaport 35214 Izmir-TURKEY
Home Page: http://aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3yj
E-mail: ta3yj@aydogmus.gen.tr [F5NQL]

QSLs received direct - A45XR, HV50VR (via IW0GPN), SV8GGI IOTA EU-075 (via QRZ.com), YK9SV (via SV1JG)

QSLs received bureau - DR06PAPST, EY8MM (via K1BV), FY5FY, J5UAP (HA3AUI), KG4RN (KX4WW), OH0JWH (DJ2PJ), TI2/AK0A, TX9 (DL5NAM), V31GE (AK0A), VK6DXI
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* The summits in Finland (127) and Poland (222) will be added the SOTA programme effective on April 1, 2008. Current SOTA activities are announced at: sotawatch.sota.org.uk/activations.php or sotawatch.sota.org.uk/spots.php [DX Newsletter]

* We are very close to the SP DX Contest 2008 (April 6-7). This year it is a very special contest edition: 75th Anniversary of the SP DX Contest (for the first time organized in 1933). Celebrating the SP DX Contest Jubilee, Polish Amateur Radio Union and SP DX Club are sposnsorig a special jubilee award: SP DX Contest - 75th Anniversary Award. Please look at the award rules. The award is free for all licensed operators and SWLs. Please visit www.spdxcontest.info/ [SP8AJK]

* MMAA 2007 RESULTS. Ed, PY4WAS, President of the CWJF, reports that on March 17th, at 2100z, the CWJF Web site will publish the results of the 2007 Manchester Mineira All America CW Contest at: www.powerline.com.br/cwjf . The CWJF group hopes amateur radio operators will participate in this year's event. [OPDX Bulletin]

* Very shortly a new Argentine Antarctic Award will be launched by Radio Club Rio de la Plata. Name of the Award is WAAB (Worked Argentine Antarctic Bases). Radio Club Rio de la Plata will provide through Horacio LU4DXU the rules and a list of the Bases which qualify for the Award, and it will be add on the World Wide Antarctic Award pages at: (www.waponline.it/WapAwards/tabid/61/Default.aspx) on WAP web site. [LU4DXU]
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March 18, 2008:
Bouvet Island, Petrus Kritzinger ZS6GCM sets out to yet another unique amateur radio venture that many DX'ers around the world can only dream about. Petrus will be QRV from Marion Island #6 on the DX Magazine 2007 Most Wanted List as ZS8T. ZS8T is expected to be QRV by May 2008 dependent on work load.

Building on the success of the 3Y0E Bouvet Island operation, Petrus wanted to take his amateur radio activity to the next level. Having more time to effectively plan the operation from Marion Island as ZS8T work began to set a team together that could rise above the high standards that were set during the 3Y0E Bouvet Island operation. The ZS8T team consists of the following people:
- Press Officer/Logistical Support - Rhy ZS6DXB.
- Finance/Logistical Support - Don N1DG.
- Finance Support - Tom N4XP.

- QSL manager - Emil LZ3HI.
- Website construction - Christian DL6KAC.
- Website construction - Col MM0NDX.
- ZS8T.net's design and graphics - Stan SQ8X.

One of the first tasks was to start work on a website that could take DX'pedition websites to a new standard. Chris DL6KAC, Col MM0NDX and Stan SQ8X really stood up to the challenge and created an interactive website that will change the future of DXpedition websites. The team has built in a unique news cluster into the site that you can subscribe to that will enable you to receive all the latest news from the team behind ZS8T direct. Please register to the website on the following link: zs8t.net/newsletter/

- The second challenge was to obtain better radio gear that was used during 3Y0E. The ZS8T team is proud to announce the following principle sponsors to the ZS8T operation; these principal sponsors were strategic in getting the hardware needed for ZS8T. Without these sponsors ZS8T would never off made it out of the harbor...
- ICOM America donated an IC7000.
- Spiderbeam donated a 5 band HD yagi.
- NCDXF donated funds to obtain an Ameritron AL80 Amplifier, with a SteppIR Vertical.
- Tigertronics donated a Signalink USB digital interface.
- Mr. Emil LZ3HI at Gold Print Services donated all QSL cards and QSL management services.
- INDEXA, GDXF, GMDX, EUDXF, Chiltern DX Club, Clipperton DX Club, 5B4WN.com, David Topp W5BXX, Mile Hi DXA, Aurum Telemedia, Funkamateur, Passau DX Club, Danish DX Group, DXXE and EUDXF made financial donations to offset costs.
- Donations from kind individuals during 3Y0E, we are pleased to announce some of that money helped offset the cost of radio equipment now being used on Marion Island. It also greatly assisted with shipping costs to South Africa.

The team behind ZS8T would like to thank each and every organization and individual that has contributed to date in making the operation a full success.

Petrus ZS6GCM has also undergone extensive training and will be active on the following bands 160, 80, 40, 30, 20, 17, 12 and 10 meters. He will be active on the following modes: SSB, CW and RTTY. A detailed timetable with frequencies and modes will be made available closer to the QRV date. Petrus will also be communicating with Rhy ZS6DXB on a regular basis, and you can expect regular updates with photos and even the possibility of videos from the Island as the year progresses. ZS8T will be uploaded to LOTW on completion of the operation.

Without any further ado please join us on a life changing journey to Marion Island, official website address: http://zs8t.net/ . Within ZS8T.net you will find an abundance of information, discussions, images/movies and enough viewing to entice you into working Petrus. The entire ZS8T Team would be delighted if you joined us in following Petrus by subscribing to the RSS-feed at zs8t.net/feed/ or our ZS8T-newsletter at zs8t.net/newsletter/ [SQ8X]

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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ

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